MINUTES OF THE DECATUR COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Tuesday December 22, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Decatur County Solid Waste Management District Board was called to order by Chairman Terry Wagner on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at 6:00P.M. at the Decatur County Solid Waste Office at 315 S Ireland St, Greensburg, IN 47240

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Gary Herbert, City Councilman Terry Wagner, County Commissioner John Richards, Commissioner Jerome Buening, Commissioner Rick Nobbe, Westport Town Council Darlene Tobias **MEMBERS ABSENT:** County Councilman Kenny Hooten

OTHERS PRESENT: Executive Director Brittani Saunders, Mark Fixmer of Best Way Disposal/Decatur Hills Landfill, Jay Hull with Best Way Disposal & Citizens Advisory Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Rick Nobbe to approve minutes of November 2015 meeting. Seconded by Jerome Buening.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion was made by Jerome Buening to approve December 2015 claims. John Richards seconded the motion.

Appropriation transfers were presented by Brittani Saunders. (On separate page) All were approved. Brittani also let the board know there is a cash balance of \$402,040.63 in our checking account at the end of December.

Brittani also let the board know that she will be bonded as of January 1st. Due to new laws and internal controls it is required for the director to be bonded.

Salary ordinance was presented as well. See ordinance on separate page.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Brittani Saunders

Brittani gave an update of the Tree of Hope which is a joint effort between Mainstreet Greensburg, Purdue Extension, and Soil & Water. The event for the Tree of Hope is attentively scheduled for the first weekend of May. This event would be the day of the tree planting as well as tree giveaway. Our commitment to this event is to offer recycling education as well on this day. The Tree of Hope committee is currently looking for a nursery who would be willing to either donate a tree for planting or offer at a discounted rate. John Richards spoke up and offered to donate a tulip tree for this commemorative event.

Brittani gave a quick update on our plan for the next 5 years. At this time, she will not be presenting this until after the first of the year when the new board takes effect.

Brittani let the board know that she has changed insurance companies and the monthly payment will go down approximately \$100 per month.

The Uniform Internal Control Standards for Political Subdivisions has been amended for 2016. It will be required this year to follow the new standards and take the required trainings. Rick Nobbe made comment to talk to the County Auditor about a joint effort on the training.

Terry Wagner and Brittani Saunders presented costs for a vehicle for the Solid Waste District. At this time the board would like to receive an estimate from Acra in Greensburg. We currently have an estimate from Don Meyer Ford and Tom Sibbitt. Rick Nobbe has asked we look at other options for vehicles as well when getting price from Acra. Brittani will come before the board next meeting with new estimates.

Brittani asked the board if they would like to change anything for the 2016 Norma Bainbridge Scholarship. At this time the board feels we should keep everything the same.

EDUCATOR'S REPORT: Brittani Saunders

Brittani explained that the caps to benches program is still going very well. It is currently about to wrap up at North Decatur and St. Mary's. The YMCA and South Decatur Elementary are still collecting caps as well. The price of the benches has gone up slightly from \$200 to \$225.

Other Public Comment:

The CAC will help report on the 5-year plan in February. Jay Hull let the board know they are working on helping Brittani with this plan to make sure it includes everything we need for the next 5 years.

ADJOURN: Next board meeting January 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Motion was made by Mayor Herbert to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by John Richards.

John Richards, Chairman